

VETERANS DAY

Lesson

On November 11, the United States of America celebrates Veterans Day. This holiday honors those who serve the country in the armed forces. Teach your child about the different branches of the military: the army, the navy, the marines, the air force, and the coast guard. Teach them that we enjoy so many freedoms because of the sacrifices of veterans and their families. You can also talk to your child about bravery and patriotism and how they can develop these characteristics.



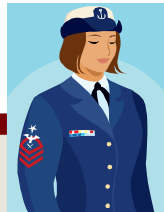
Arts & Crafts

Materials: Paper, finger paint, markers

Draw a simple flag on a piece of paper for your child to fill with paint. Help them select the right colors for the flag, and talk to them about patriotism and loyalty to our country as they paint the stripes red and white, and the stars white on a blue background.

Snack Time

Enjoy toasted cheese sandwiches with your child. If desired, cut the sandwiches into star shapes as a symbol of Veterans Day.



Activity & Games

Assemble a care package for someone in the military. Good things to pack include hygiene supplies, magazines, non-perishable snacks, phone cards, and first-aid kits. If you don't know someone in the military, ask friends and neighbors to see if there is someone they know who would appreciate the package.



Reading Time

- Veterans Day, by Jacqueline S. Cotton
- The Wall, by Eve Bunting
- H Is for Honor: A Military Family Alphabet, by Devin Scillian